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## REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the consideration shown by the Office as evidenced by the Office Action mailed on May 24, 2004. In that Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 42-48 and allowed claims 1-22, 25, 27-37, and 39-41.

In this response, Applicants have cancelled claims 42-48. As a result of this amendment, all pending claims have been allowed by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully submit that the case is in condition for immediate allowance and respectfully request such action. If, however, any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

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